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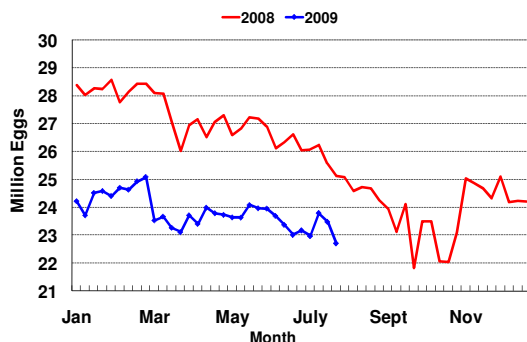
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 11 Percent from Last Year

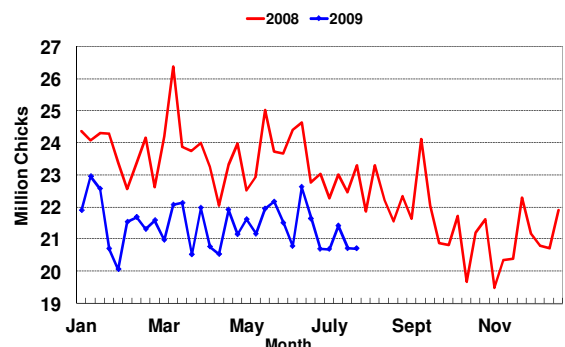
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.7 million during the week ending August 1, 2009. Placements were down 11 percent from the comparable week in 2008 and down slightly from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 22.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 1, 2009, down 3 percent from the same period last year and down 10 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, July 4, 2009 - August 1, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	4-Jul	11-Jul	18-Jul	25-Jul	1-Aug	4-Jul	11-Jul	18-Jul	25-Jul	1-Aug
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	30,088	28,726 *	29,179	28,744 *	29,093	21,570	21,294	20,556	21,164 *	20,574
Arkansas	23,182	22,979 *	23,800	23,489 *	22,721	20,699	20,694	21,423	20,718 *	20,716
Delaware	3,756	3,455	3,637	3,438	3,289	4,218	4,509	4,992	5,399	5,171
Florida	990	1,018 *	991	993	1,019	774	777	737	723	741
Georgia	31,582	31,731 *	31,726	31,282 *	31,297	26,984	26,524	26,668	26,574 *	27,121
Kentucky	7,234 *	7,699 *	7,568 *	7,407 *	7,657	6,170	6,694	6,738	6,329 *	6,876
Louisiana	3,349	3,409	3,409	3,424 *	3,455	3,009	2,851	2,959	2,888 *	2,948
Maryland	8,355	8,878	8,642	8,854	8,816	6,111	6,581	6,151	5,083	5,606
Mississippi	18,182	18,002 *	18,285	18,105	18,078	16,315	16,107	16,107	16,092	15,996
N. Carolina	18,230	18,402 *	18,892	18,217	18,820	14,658	15,001	15,481	15,055	15,135
Oklahoma	6,370	6,752 *	7,082	6,829	6,845	5,067	4,431 *	4,341	4,456	5,026
Pennsylvania	3,667	3,971	4,208	3,977 *	3,912	3,076	2,894	3,130	2,927 *	3,180
S. Carolina	5,705	5,623	5,707	5,810	5,736	4,745	4,586	4,645	5,213	4,395
Texas	15,138	15,704	15,541	15,460	15,366	13,593	13,574	13,222	12,757	13,282
Virginia	6,194	6,166	6,211	6,178	6,192	5,243	4,596	4,721	4,963	4,898
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,777	18,611 *	18,873 *	18,721 *	18,085	17,805	17,852 *	16,072 *	16,429 *	15,165
19 State Total	200,799 *	201,126 *	203,751 *	200,928 *	200,381	170,037	168,965 *	167,943 *	166,770 *	166,830
Prev. Year Total	207,613	211,457	211,369	209,872	207,229	175,576	175,314	172,780	170,837	172,890
% of Prev. Year	97	95	96	96	97	97	96	97	98	96

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 1, 2009. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 1, 2009. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through August 1, 2009 were 5.22 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.